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Transmitted herewith for filing under 35 U.S.C. 111(a) and 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) is a new utility patent application for $ar{ ext{a}}$ invention entitled: OPTICAL DEVICES AND METHODS EMPLOYING NANOPARTICLES, MICROCAVITIES, AND SEMICONTINUOUS METAL FILMS and invented by: Robert L. ARMSTRONG, Vladimir M. SHALAEV, Harold V. SMITH, Andrey K. SARYCHEV, Z Charles YING If a CONTINUATION APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information: ☑ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No.: Continuation Divisional 09/797,609 Which is a: Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No.: 09/572,721 White Hardward and □ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☑ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No.: 09/955,712 Enclosed are: **Application Elements** ☑ Filing fee as calculated and transmitted as described below 2. Specification having pages and including the following: a. 🗵 Descriptive Title of the Invention Cross References to Related Applications (if applicable) Statement Regarding Federally-sponsored Research/Development (if applicable) Reference to Sequence Listing, a Table, or a Computer Program Listing Appendix d. 🔲 e. 🛛 Background of the Invention f. 🛛 Brief Summary of the Invention Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed) h.

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Application Elements (Continued) 3. \(\subseteq \text{ Drawing(s) (when necessary as prescribed by 35 USC 113)} a. 🛛 Formal Number of Sheets b. 🔲 Informal Number of Sheets ☑ Oath or Declaration a. Newly executed (original or copy) ☑ Unexecuted b. Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)) (for continuation/divisional application only) c. With Power of Attorney ☐ Without Power of Attorney d. DELETION OF INVENTOR(S) Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 C.F.R. 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b). 5. Incorporation By Reference (usable if Box 4b is checked) The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein. 7. Application Data Sheet (See 37 CFR 1.76) 8. Uncleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all must be included) a. Computer Readable Form (CFR) i. CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or ii. 🔲 Paper c. Statement(s) Verifying Identical Paper and Computer Readable Copy **Accompanying Application Parts** 9. Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s)) 12. Information Disclosure Statement/PTO-1449 □ Copies of IDS Citations 13. Preliminary Amendment 14. Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized) 16. Certificate of Mailing ☐ First Class ☒ Express Mail (Specify Label No.): EV166728415US

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19.		Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2), Applicant hereby requests that this patent application not be published pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(1). Applicant hereby certifies that the invention disclosed in this application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication of applications 18 months after filing of the application.							
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